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NO. 4

TO GET SPRING WATER

City Council Makes Appropriation for Prospecting—Other Business Done Last Night.

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MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Martin Blagske of Marshfield to Alice Durans of Stevens Point. Anton Kujawski to Stella Petrowski, both of Sharon. James Olson to Anna Strand, both of Amherst Junction. John Tampski to Katherine Groshek, both of Stockton. Peter Szerdowski to Agnes Mondalo, both of Stevens Point.

A ROYAL GENTLEMAN

In the field of society comedies and romantic dramas Guy and Constance Kaufman are today the most representative stars of any of the traveling companies of this class of production, and need no introduction to the patrons of the theatre, and in the long catalogue of their successes they have essayed no roles so delightful as those they play in "A Royal Gentleman," which Marion Rose has written for their present tour.

This is a pleasant, natural and very interesting comedy in three acts, replete with comic and sentimental happenings in effective alternation and contrast, and they give a less distorted view of "society" than is usual in plays that satirize that subject. It is a light and graceful comedy, full of bright lines, and the audience is kept in continued good humor.

"A Royal Gentleman" will appear at the Empire theatre on Sunday evening, August 8.

Local Notes.

H. Paul Tick and sister, Goldie, of Clinton, Ill., are guests of their sister, Mrs. Adolph Green, 530 Normal avenue, to remain a couple of weeks. Mr. Tick is in the wholesale produce business in his home city.

For quality, our line of shoes cannot be beat. All sizes and good widths. We handle the famous Huiskamp, Mayer, Red Wing and Thompson lines of work shoes. All new goods. People's Supply Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wirth and family and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Goldberg went to Milwaukee last Saturday in the Wirth auto, intending to stay a couple of days, but because of the bad condition of the roads, have been unable to return. Mr. Goldberg however, returned by train on Tuesday.

RENT'S WILLIAMS HOUSE.

Miss Helen Parkhurst, director of the department for the training of primary teachers at the Stevens Point Normal, has taken a lease on the Geo. Williams residence at 1037 Main street and during the next school year will make her home there with ten of the young lady students under her supervision. Miss Parkhurst is at present in California, assisting Dr. Montessori, the famous Italian educator, and at which ten aldermen were present, the absentees being Corlett and King.

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FAIR TIME IS NEAR

Stevens Point Fair, September 7, 8, 9 and 10—Prospects of Brightest Character.

Five weeks from today the annual Stevens Point fair will be in full swing; the dates for this year's show are September 7, 8, 9 and 10 and, barring unfavorable weather, "bigger and better than ever" promises are going to be fulfilled to a greater extent than ever before.

Stevens Point is this year affiliated with the Central Wisconsin Fair Circuit, recently revived, with Marshfield, Merrill, Wausau, Augusta, Chippewa Falls and La Crosse as the other members. Seven consecutive weeks of racing with short shipments and \$23,000 in purses for speed make this circuit one of the most powerful of its kind in the entire middle west. W. A. Gething of this city is secretary of the circuit and he has already had entry blanks printed and distributed.

A total of \$2,450 in purses will be hung up by the Stevens Point fair, for which the speed program is as follows:

Wednesday, September 8.

Three year old and under, eligible to 2:30 class trotting.....\$250

2:20 pace.....\$300

Thursday, September 9.

2:15 trot.....\$400

2:25 pace.....\$500

2:16 pace.....\$400

Friday, September 10.

2:20 trot.....\$400

2:12 pace.....\$400

M. E. Bruce, secretary of the Stevens Point Fair association, is receiving fine encouragements relative to the general exhibits, particularly those in the live stock department. The local fair is offering a bigger herd prize than any other association in the state and this fact alone is expected to attract many entries. The premium lists are now in the hands of the printer and will be out this week or next. They will offer some particularly good inducements to exhibitors in all departments.

In the line of free attractions, this year's fair will surpass all its predecessors. "The Peerless Greggs," who present a sensational act, in which two automobiles are used, are to be the head-liners. The Greggs are the peers of all "dare-devils" and their feat of looping the gap and looping a triple loop is guaranteed to give a thrill a second. There will also be other big attractions, including those on the "midway." Repairs are already being made to get the grounds in shape in plenty of time.

The people of Stevens Point and Portage county are closer to each other at present than ever before, and as the Stevens Point fair is Portage county's fair, cooperation is the mode by which it is hoped to make the 1915 fair the greatest ever held in this part of the state.

WORKING ON SEWER.

Street Foreman Anschutz and crew began work on the new Fourth ward sewer last Thursday morning, in accordance with the recommendations of W. F. Reickert, the city's consulting engineer, and are now practically through with the job. Conditions that were favorable even beyond expectations were encountered; the digging was almost wholly through sand and as a result the work went along with record speed. The sewer starts at the intersection of North Second and Franklin street, runs west for three blocks and thence on Frederick street a block and a half, connecting the Fourth ward public school and kindergarten.

SPAULDINGS GO THROUGH

Howard Spaulding, Jr., and his "thirty million dollar bride," formerly Miss Catherine Barker, whose marriage at the bride's home in Harbor Point, Mich., last Saturday attracted nation-wide interest, were passengers on Soo line train No. 3, in charge of Conductor W. E. West of this city, early Tuesday morning. The Spauldings occupied a drawing room in the Minneapolis sleeper and except in the Chicago depot, where a large gathering of friends waved their good-byes and a flashlight artist snapped them as they stood on the rear platform of the train, they didn't allow themselves to get in the way of the view of the curious to any great extent. The couple will spend the next year in travel, including a trip to the Orient.

IS VALUABLE WORK.

The new city directory, the work of the Farrell-McCoy Directory Co. of Rockford, Ill., was distributed among Stevens Point subscribers last week and is the most complete and most useful book of its kind ever compiled. It contains 258 pages, well printed and well bound, and has a good list of advertisers. The names of residents of the city take up nearly 150 pages, in addition to which a good list of voters and taxpayers throughout the county is given. A new feature, and perhaps the most highly recommended of all, is the street directory, printed on pages 187 to 220, both inclusive, by the use of which the name of the owner or renter of any building in the city, if occupied, may be ascertained if only his address is known. There is a wealth of other information relative to the city, its people, its industries, etc., and the directory will surely fill a long felt want.

GOOD ROADS MEETING.

A meeting of those interested in the good roads question is called for this evening at 8 o'clock in the council chambers. It is planned to hold a good roads day "party" in Plover on August 27 and H. W. Norton, chairman of that town, is scheduled to be at the meeting and have a few things to say relative to the plan. Plans will be laid to make the event the best yet, and everybody is requested to be on hand.

BISHOP RHODE COMING

Newly Elected Head of Green Bay Diocese Will Be in Stevens Point Next Week.

Right Rev. Paul P. Rhode, the newly elected bishop of the Green Bay diocese of the Catholic church, is coming to Stevens Point next week, when he will be the principal church dignitary at the annual reception to sisters at St. Joseph's academy.

Bishop Rhode will arrive in Stevens Point in the afternoon of Tuesday, August 10, from Chicago, and will go directly to the academy. On the morning of the following day, at 9:00 o'clock, he will be celebrant of high mass in the academy chapel, with local and visiting clergy assisting in the solemn ceremonies. At the close of the service he will receive the vows of sisterhood from over a hundred candidates, including those who will make their perpetual vows, the novices and the candidates for the novitiate.

The young ladies who have chosen to follow the sacred calling come from all parts of the nation—from Connecticut, Texas, California, Washington and many other states. Parents, other relatives and friends will be present to witness the ceremonies that mark so important an epoch in the lives of the young women, while thirty or forty priests from outside the city are also expected.

At noon on Wednesday Bishop Rhode will be the guest of honor at a dinner in the academy dining hall, at which only clergy will be present. He will leave on an afternoon train, it is expected, on his return to Chicago.

The visit of Bishop Rhode to Stevens Point is an event of peculiar interest. He is the first Polish priest ever elevated to the episcopate in the United States and his selection for that important post has been a source of great satisfaction and rejoicing among his countrymen of the same faith, of whom there are thousands in Stevens Point and immediate vicinity. However, in compliance with the bishop's request, there will be no elaborate celebration incident to his coming.

Bishop Rhode has been auxiliary bishop of the diocese of Chicago since 1904 and consequently there will be no necessity of consecration ceremonies for him when he takes charge at Green Bay. When he will be installed as bishop of this diocese has not been made public.

WEDS WHITEWATER GIRL.

Announcements of the marriage of Edward G. Lang and Miss Margaret Elizabeth Godfrey have been received by local friends. Mr. Lang is a member of the faculty of the state normal school at Whitewater, where his bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Godfrey, reside. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lang, who reside on Whiting avenue, and is a graduate of the Stevens Point Normal and the University of Wisconsin. That he and his bride may be accorded many years of happiness is the wish shared by his friends in this vicinity.

AFTER STREET FAKIRS

Stevens Point Retailers' Association

Stirred Up By Fraudulent Sale of Jewelry.

The Stevens Point Retailers' association is hot after the street fakir's "skin game" kind that gathers in the shekels without adequate returns to the purchaser of his wares.

At a meeting held Monday evening, when about fifteen members were present, it was voted to make complaint to the council relative to the licensing of so-called "confidence games" and to ask for an ordinance that provides for a prohibitory fee to be paid by the street merchants.

The agitation is a direct result of a game that was pulled off about two weeks ago. A man whose chief asset was his never ceasing flow of words planted a dry goods box on the public square, after paying the present city license of five dollars, and began disposing of various articles of worthless jewelry. One of the articles was what purported to be a gold watch. This the fakir handed out by the dozens at twenty-five cents each, and the buyer, after examining his purchase, which he had been requested to keep in a pasteboard container for a certain length of time, found that the case was of solid glass, gilded to give it a metallic appearance.

Among the other business transacted at Monday's meeting was the election of delegates and alternates to the annual convention of the Wisconsin Association of Retail Merchants, at Oshkosh, August 23, 24 and 25. Secretary L. J. Seeger, John Hebel, Julius Kulaszewicz, F. M. Glennon, G. W. Andrae and Dr. G. M. Houlehan were named delegates and A. Gross, N. Miller, N. M. Urbanowski and N. J. Knope alternates.

VISIT EAGLE RIVER.

Eagle River Review: President John F. Sims, of the Stevens Point Normal school, and Harold Harris, one of St. Paul's leading lawyers, were in town the first of the week for a short outing and incidentally getting better acquainted with several tracts of land which they own in partnership. President Sims met a number of his former and present Normal students, even much farther back when in Chas. Frank and Ernie Adams he found old pupils of his when principal of the Onalaska high school.

THURSDAY'S BAND CONCERT.

The following program will be rendered by Weber's band at their weekly concert to be given at court house park tomorrow evening:

March—"Stars and Stripes Forever".....Sauer
Overture—"Down the Mississippi".....Laurence
Waltzes—"Cicile".....McKee
Quintette—"Golden Gate March".....Wagner
(For Eb Clarinet and Four Saxophones)
Theo. Frank, Charlie Miller and Kenneth
Selection—"Adela".....Briquet
March—"Iron Grip".....Ames
Finale—"Star Spangled Banner".....Key

Final—

IN GOOD CONDITION.

C. S. Orthman of this city, who attended a meeting of the directors and stockholders of the Milladore State bank at that village last Wednesday, heard encouraging reports relative to the condition of the institution. Although organized only a year ago, the bank has deposits of nearly \$35,000 and assets of nearly \$45,000. At Wednesday's meeting J. Verhulst was reelected president and W. O. Dyer was again chosen cashier.

A POWERFUL X-RAY.

What is considered the best X-ray machine ever brought to central Wisconsin was received last week by Dr. C. von Neupert, Jr., and will occupy permanent quarters at St. Michael's hospital. It cost several hundred dollars but is considered well worth the price paid, as some wonderful photographs have already been developed through its aid. One of the pictures made last week was that of a lady's hand, and although the owner of this appendage had a sudden case of fright and removed her hand from the plate almost as soon as the electric power was turned on, the negative showed full outlines of a needle which had caused her considerable pain for several weeks. Even the eye of the needle could be plainly seen. An operation was performed and the steel removed.

ILLNESS WAS FATAL

Sister Patavia, Daughter of Mrs. Emma Knope, Passes Away at St. Francis' Convent.

The death of Sister Patavia, who before entering the sisterhood nine years ago, was Miss Helen Knope of this city, occurred at St. Francis' convent at 10 o'clock last Thursday morning, following a three weeks' illness, culminating in internal hemorrhage. With her at the end were her mother, Mrs. Emma Knope, her sisters, the Misses Mary and Katherine, and her brother, Joseph, all of this city.

Sister Patavia was born in Stevens Point twenty-two years ago. Her early schooling was acquired at St. Joseph's parochial school and at the age of thirteen she began her studies for the sisterhood at St. Francis, where the national mother house of the Order of St. Francis is located. Four years later she took the final vows and was assigned as a teacher in a parochial school at New Berlin, Wis. During the past year she taught at Houghton, Iowa, from where she had gone on a retreat to St. Francis when taken by her fatal illness.

Requiem high mass for Sister Patavia was celebrated in the chapel at St. Francis at 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning and interment followed at 5 o'clock that afternoon in the nearby cemetery. John Knope, brother of the deceased, did not arrive from Calgary, Canada, until 7:30 o'clock in the evening, but the grave was left open so that he might view for the last time his sister's remains. Besides the members of the immediate family, Mr. and Mrs. John Massman and Mr. and

The Gazette**LAST RITES ARE HELD**

The Late George Hoffman Laid to Rest Last Week—Many Floral Offerings

Funeral services of the late George Hoffman of Knowlton were held at St. Francis' church in that village at 9:30 o'clock last Wednesday morning, when a large number of friends assembled to pay a last tribute to this estimable gentleman. Among those who came from a distance were John Britz of Stockton, Mrs. W. Stark, Mrs. Thos. Malone, Mrs. Miller and daughter, Mabel, of Wausau, Mrs. Fred Blanchfield of Merrill and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Mersch of this city.

Mass was offered up by Rev. J. J. Robleski of Mosinee. The pallbearers were James Allen, Chas. Heath, Chas. Lovese, Ed. Beadle, Jos. Hibbard and Adam Miller.

Floral offerings included the following: Pillow and cross; family; pillow, Mr. and Mrs. Miller; carnations and priscillas, R. N. A. of Plover; carnations and ferns, A. and W. von Berg and families; lilies, Misses Stark; hydrangas, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wilcox, Mrs. Jane Wilcox; cut flowers, Mr. and Mrs. F. Moldenhauer; carnations and sweet peas, Mr. and Mrs. F. Odenthaler and family; rosebuds and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. C. Phipps; dahlias and ferns, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hibbard; Earl Hibbard, Mr. and Mrs. F. Blanchfield; forget-me-nots, Mrs. E. Sparhawk; pillow, grandchildren.

Mr. Hoffman was born in the province of Alsace Lorraine, Germany, and was married there 50 years ago to Catherine Flareigh. He came to America in 1866 but returned couple of years later to bring his family to this country. They lived in Fremont, Ill., two years, then coming to the town of Eau Pleine, this county, where they resided until their removal to Knowlton township. He is survived by his widow, five daughters and a son, twelve grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Card of Thanks.

Mrs. George Hoffman and children desire to extend their sincere appreciation to the many good friends and neighbors who so greatly assisted them during the illness and after the death of the dear husband and father. Dated at Knowlton, Wis., July 30, 1915.

A TEMPORARY DELAY

Stockton District Votes Against School Consolidation—Buena Vista Will Try Again.

The vote on consolidation in the towns of Buena Vista and Stockton last Saturday, the first election of its kind in Portage county, was a virtual victory for the pro-consolidation forces, although the question was not carried, so far as a decision to at once carry out the plan is concerned.

The number of votes cast was 255, of which 95 were of the negative variety. However, the fact that one district—the one in Stockton—went against the question, defeated the purpose of the election for the time being. The proposal was to consolidate five districts in Buena Vista and one in Stockton and its failure was due to the fact that the Stockton residents are not in favor of joining with another town in educational matters, rather than because of any opposition to the principles of consolidation.

The Buena Vista districts have already begun a movement for consolidation among themselves. Petitions are now out and when a sufficient number of signatures is secured the school boards will meet and set the date for another election.

The vote last Saturday was large and divided as follows:

The vote by districts stood: District No. 4 in Stockton, 36 against, 16 for; district No. 1, in Buena Vista, 17 against, 40 for; district No. 2, Buena Vista, 2 against, 19 for; district No. 4, Buena Vista, 22 against, 46 for; district joint No. 8, Buena Vista, 10 against, 13 for.

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CASE WAS ADJOURNED.

The case of the state of Wisconsin against A. F. Grubba of the town of Carson, who is charged with keeping his saloon open on Sunday, was adjourned for the second time when it came up in Justice Park's court last Thursday morning. The date on which he is scheduled to appear in defense of the charge is Monday, August 9.

STEEL LAYING COMPLETED.

The crew of men that had been engaged in the work of re-laying heavier steel on the Portage branch of the Soo line, completed its work last Friday and, with cars, tools and other equipment, was brought to Stevens Point Saturday morning. The work was between Westfield and Portage. The track from this city to a point about three miles south of Westfield was equipped with heavier steel last season.

CROSS COUNTRY TRIP

Stevens Point's Booster Brigade to Make Tour Through This and Other Counties.

Stevens Point's live wire business and professional men are going to carry good fellowship and entertainment into the surrounding territory on August 17 and 18, when they will make their first cross-country booster trip.

The dates were set by the public improvement and good roads committee of the Stevens Point Business Men's association at a meeting held last Wednesday evening, when tentative plans for the big event were discussed and arrangements for carrying it out made. It is anticipated that fifty or sixty men will compose the party, which will be transported through the various communities of Portage, Wood, Marathon and Waushara counties. Attractive souvenirs will be spread along the trail and some of the city's best orators will give short booster talks at the different stopping places. It is also planned to have Weber's band accompany them to give a series of concerts.

Committees appointed by C. S. Orthman, president of the Business Men's association, to complete arrangements for the trip, are: Automobiles, route and schedule—G. W. Andrae, T. H. Hanna, L. J. Seeger, A. M. Cops, I. S. Hull, W. N. Wiley; advertising—Alex Krembs, C. G. Macnich, W. E. Atwell, Dr. J. M. Bischoff; enrollment—J. J. Normington, E. P. Trautman, M. E. Bruce, C. E. Emmons, G. A. Gullikson.

As soon as the committees are ready, another meeting will be held, to which all who intend to make the trip will be invited to attend.

Local Notes.

Mrs. T. H. Hay of River Pines was a visitor at Oshkosh today.

Miss Myra Kriesel of Milwaukee is a guest at the home of Mrs. Charles Rosenow, on Normal avenue.

Miss Edith Hamacker went to Oshkosh this morning for a few days' visit with her brother, Henry.

Mrs. A. L. Rice and sons, Clarence and Arthur, left this morning for Chicago for a visit with her sister, Mrs. C. H. Wall.

Miss May Doyle of Bellfield, North Dakota, is expected to arrive in the city this week for a visit of about a month with relatives.

L. F. A. Hein is spending this week at Iola, where he is in charge of manual training work at a Waupaca county teachers' institute.

Miss Lucy Jarosz, who had been in the city for a couple of weeks, a guest of Miss Bertha Fierek, returned to her home in St. Paul today.

Mrs. William Klinkert, 113 Cross street, broke both bones in her right arm, between the elbow and wrist, in a fall from a chair last Thursday.

Miss Florena Lutz, one of the young lady operators in the local telephone exchange, is taking a two weeks' vacation and left this morning on a trip to Chicago, Appleton, Oshkosh and Fond du Lac.

R. J. Lintner and wife of Hancock, who had been visiting at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. C. J. Green, on Prairie street, left today for a few days' visit with relatives at Grand Rapids and Nekoosa.

About fifty people from here attended the second Old Settlers' picnic at Lake Emily last Saturday. The weather, until evening, when a storm blew up, was all that could be desired and the crowd had a delightful time.

Superintendent C. M. Winters of the Soo line, with headquarters at North Fond du Lac, was in the city this morning. H. E. Bemis and Lawrence Hart of the claim department of the same road were here yesterday and today.

A delegation of local men leave this evening for Abbotsford to attend a meeting of the Masonic lodge of that village tonight. Among those who planned to make the trip were G. C. Stockley, C. E. Crockett, A. L. Fillmore, B. W. Dagneau, H. L. Bannister, L. D. Richards, C. F. Gillespie and T. E. McPhail.

Robert Rankin of Cincinnati, Ohio, arrived in the city Tuesday afternoon, joining his wife and son, David, who had been guests at the home of Mrs. F. E. Noble for a few weeks. Mr. Rankin was formerly chief clerk in the local Wisconsin Central offices, and now holds a similar position with the Queen & Crescent railway in Cincinnati.

OLD RESIDENT DIES.

Mrs. Susana Niemczyk, an old resident of the town of Linwood, died at her home there last Sunday morning, following a short illness with heart trouble. Although a native of German Poland, Mrs. Niemczyk lived in Linwood for upwards of forty years. She is survived by her husband and several children. The funeral was held from the Catholic church at Mill Creek, Rev. Foysiak officiating, this morning.—New York Press.

DIRECTORS MEET HERE.

The regular quarterly meeting of the directors of the two hardware mutual insurance companies was held here today at the home office. President: O. P. Schlafer, Appleton; R. C. Murdock, Beloit; J. W. Jones, Racine; E. H. Ramm, New London; L. Hirsch, Madison; J. Kornely, Milwaukee, and R. M. Burtis, Oshkosh.

RETURNED TO REFORMATORY.

Alois Bemka, aged 20, whose home is in the town of Carson, was taken into custody by Sheriff Guyant last Monday and on the following day was returned to the Green Bay reformatory, from which he had escaped, by A. F. Greunhagen, field agent. The young man was found to be incorrigible seven or eight years ago and sentenced to the reform school at Waukesha. He was twice paroled and finally, a year ago, robbed a house in his home town, for which he was sent to Green Bay on the original commitment. He was working on a farm, under the honor system, when he escaped from Green Bay a month ago.

TO SISTER'S FUNERAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoffman left this morning for Milwaukee to attend the funeral of the latter's sister, Mrs. Jacob Hamback, a lady who has frequently visited here, the last time only two weeks ago. Mrs. Hamback's death was very sudden, according to particulars received. She was walking along a street in her home city at 6 o'clock last evening, when she was overcome. She sat down to rest and in a few moments was dead. Mrs. Hamback was sixty-seven years of age and lived in Milwaukee thirty years, prior to which she was a resident of Plymouth. She is survived by her husband and one son, Adolph, who is employed as bookkeeper in the office of the Federal Rubber Co., at Milwaukee.

FEW NOW DIE OF OLD AGE.

Why This Is So and Why the Patriarchs Lived So Long.

Scientists who see today how few people live to be 100 years old find themselves at a loss to explain how Methuselah managed to live 969 years, while Noah reached the respectable age of 955 years. Recently, however, a discovery has been made which helps to explain this mystery.

When the causes of short life nowadays are counted up it is found that most of the deaths are due to disease. Very few people die from old age. And the reason why people die from any one disease is that they have been weakened by other illnesses which they have had or which have been handed down to them by their ancestors. For example, one widespread social scourge which weakens the constitution of many men and women today was probably unknown in primitive times.

To some of these diseases the human race has become so accustomed that it is immune. Measles will kill off a whole Indian tribe, but among the white races it is only an annoying childhood malady. But the variations of disease increase far more rapidly than the immunity.

Noah and the patriarchs didn't have nearly as many different kinds of diseases to face because they hadn't had enough ancestors to hand them down a variety. Consequently their constitutions were not constantly being weakened as are ours today. For example, there is no reference in very ancient literatures to a cold in the head. The Greeks and Romans seem to have been the first peoples to suffer from it.

The real reason why the patriarchs lived longer than we do now was because in those days the fount of humanity was fresher. While immunity to certain diseases has been handed down to us by our parents, we have also received the weakened vitality which was theirs as a result of their fight against disease. Sooner or later the race will become immune to tuberculosis, but with that immunity will come the diminished power as a result of mankind's long fight against the white plague.—Washington Post.

About fifty people from here attended the second Old Settlers' picnic at Lake Emily last Saturday. The weather, until evening, when a storm blew up, was all that could be desired and the crowd had a delightful time.

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A delegation of local men leave this evening for Abbotsford to attend a meeting of the Masonic lodge of that village tonight. Among those who planned to make the trip were G. C. Stockley, C. E. Crockett, A. L. Fillmore, B. W. Dagneau, H. L. Bannister, L. D. Richards, C. F. Gillespie and T. E. McPhail.

Robert Rankin of Cincinnati, Ohio, arrived in the city Tuesday afternoon, joining his wife and son, David, who had been guests at the home of Mrs. F. E. Noble for a few weeks. Mr. Rankin was formerly chief clerk in the local Wisconsin Central offices, and now holds a similar position with the Queen & Crescent railway in Cincinnati.

Mrs. Susana Niemczyk, an old resident of the town of Linwood, died at her home there last Sunday morning, following a short illness with heart trouble. Although a native of German Poland, Mrs. Niemczyk lived in Linwood for upwards of forty years. She is survived by her husband and several children. The funeral was held from the Catholic church at Mill Creek, Rev. Foysiak officiating, this morning.—New York Press.

AGED LADY IS CALLED

Mrs. Lucy Shidel, Seventy-six Years Old, Succumb to Paralytic Stroke Thursday.

The death of Mrs. Lucy Justine Shidel, widow of the late Jacob Shidel, occurred at her home, 532 Fremont street, at 6:45 o'clock last Thursday morning, the result of a third stroke of paralysis, with which she was stricken on July 19. Mrs. Shidel was in poor health for seven years and during the last two years failed rapidly. She was cared for by her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Roy, who resided with her. Her son, F. C. Shidel, wife and son, Frederick, of Amherst, arrived in the city the day after she suffered the fatal stroke and remained with her until the end, while Miss Jessie Shidel, another grandchild, who had been visiting at St. Paul, arrived on the following Thursday.

Mrs. Shidel was seventy-five years of age on July 5. She was born in Berlin, Germany, her maiden name being Lucy Luhn, and came with her mother to this country in 1855. By way of the Great Lakes they came westward to Manitowoc, this state, and from there by ox team to Fond du Lac. She was married at the latter city in 1859 to Jacob Shidel and in 1877 they removed to Milladore, where they lived on a farm until sixteen years ago, when they came to Stevens Point. Mr. Shidel died in 1898.

Among her friends and neighbors Mrs. Shidel was held in deep affection. She was by nature kind and sympathetic, a lover of her home and her home sphere. Those who are left to mourn the death of a devoted mother are Mrs. J. L. Roy and F. C. Shidel, the latter of Amherst. Another son, John, who was an engineer on the old Wisconsin Central railway, was killed in a wreck at Des Plaines, Ill., thirteen years ago, leaving a widow and son, Harold Shidel, who now resides in Salt Lake City, Utah, where the latter is a civil engineer. Mrs. Shidel had three brothers and one sister, all of whom have preceded her to the life beyond.

The funeral was held from the residence at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Rev. James Blake officiating. The pallbearers were A. J. Empey, John Hebel, W. E. Macklin, F. C. Holman, Emil Zimmer and Ed. Francis. Interment was in Forest cemetery beside her husband. Among those from outside the city who attended the funeral were: Mrs. Libby Burns, Shiota; Mrs. John Muench and Mrs. Sarah Edwards, Fond du Lac; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Oertlib, Chilton; Adam Shidel, Milladore; Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Shidel and children, Miss Jessie and Frederick, B. E. Dwinell and family, Mrs. C. H. Dwinell and Mrs. A. E. Dwinell, Amherst.

Local Notes.

Mrs. S. Adams has returned home from a month's visit at Duluth and Superior.

Willard and Eunice Newton went to Packwaukee this morning for a visit of several weeks at the home of their grandparents.

Miss Bessie Wallace departed this morning for Cleveland, Ohio, for a visit of about a month with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Hannum.

Dr. F. A. Walters left Tuesday for Bridgeman, Mont., to spend about a week with his parents. His practice, during his absence, is in charge of Dr. Nettie Randall of Brandon.

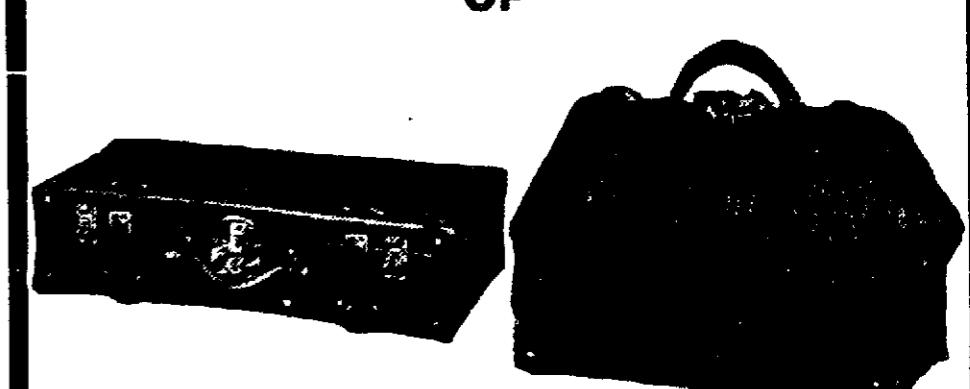
Conductor H. Lowell has resumed work on Soo line passenger trains between this city and Chicago, after a two weeks' lay-off, during which he made a trip east, visiting Niagara Falls and other points of interest.

Harold and Harriet Hyer left this morning for Oshkosh, where they will spend a few days with an uncle and then continue on to Milwaukee for a visit of two or three weeks with their grandmother, Mrs. M. Broche.

The real reason why the patriarchs lived longer than we do now was because in those days the fount of humanity was fresher. While immunity to certain diseases has been handed down to us by our parents, we have also received the weakened vitality which was theirs as a result of their fight against disease. Sooner or later the race will become immune to tuberculosis, but with that immunity will come the diminished power as a result of mankind's long fight against the white plague.—Washington Post.

State vs. Bert Brown; Waupaca county special. Motion to set aside verdict finding defendant guilty of bastardy taken under advisement by the court.

George C. Reed vs. William McHugh; Waupaca county special. Action to confirm referee's report taken under advisement.

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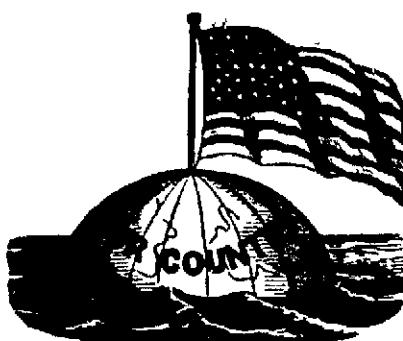
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CIRCUIT COURT CASES.

Hazel Tuttle, by Thos. B. Tuttle, her guardian, vs. Soo line railroad. Judgment given plaintiff of \$331.65, on account of personal injuries sustained in alighting from a moving train at Abbotsford.

Wisconsin State bank vs. J. M. Hazel. Judgment rendered



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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED
BY THE GAZETTE'S CORRESPONDENTS

NELSONVILLE.

Mrs. Owen of Chicago is visiting at the home of L. Ross.

Mrs. Fred Hankey and Miss Johanna Melum went to Waupaca Monday.

The ladies' aid will meet at the home of Mrs. E. Stoltzenberg Friday afternoon.

Miss Martha Rasmussen of Chicago is visiting among friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stoltzenberg are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moen in Rhinelander.

Mr. and Mrs. Christ Larson and Mrs. Mary Anderson autoed to Junction City Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Anderson.

ARNOTT.

John Werachowski disposed of two more Reo cars in this vicinity last week.

Henry S. Kurtzweil spent Sunday with friends at Amherst and Lake Emily.

Misses Ida and Alma Scheribal of Stratford are guests at the Martin Blumentein home this week.

The E. J. Carley family have returned from a two weeks' camping trip at Waupaca.

Mrs. J. H. Delaney of Amherst visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leo Schwertke, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Newby and Mr. and Mrs. John Herman autoed to Lake Emily Sunday, where they were guests at the Mrs. F. B. Seymour cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. John Herman of Stevens Point visited at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. R. Newby, last Sunday.

The Arnott Reos defeated the Buena Vista team by a score of 9 to 4 in a fast played game of ball here Sunday afternoon.

BUENA VISTA.

Miss Esther Newby has returned to her Ohio home after a fortnight spent with her grandmother and other relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. John Kendall and children left Monday morning for a week with the former's parents, who live in Viroqua.

On Thursday evening Prof. John Phelan and Miss Frances Bannach of Stevens Point presented the pros and cons of the school question at south side hall.

The good people of Buena Vista have about half of their hay crop harvested. Corn is coming along nicely and potatoes are up to any year we have ever known.

Friday evening the Y. P. S. C. of Buena Vista met at the farm home of L. A. Precourt. Lyman certainly can entertain, for the young people, one and all, said good night in a very hesitating manner.

Quite a little excitement at the noon hour Saturday, the cause being consolidation of school districts known as Bourcier, Liberty Corners, Keene, Stewart, Valley and Prairie schools. Report has it that the Prairie district port has it that the Prairie district doesn't want that kind of progressiveism in their midst. The other districts carried with praiseworthy majorities. Much credit is to be given the good people of Liberty Corners and Keene for the effective campaign.

AMHERST.

Miss Pearl Wilson was in Stevens Point Saturday.

John Droski and family were in Stevens Point Saturday.

John Riley of Stevens Point is visiting relatives in Lanark.

Claude Dineen of Custer was in town between trains Saturday.

Lee Guyant and John Jordan of Lanark were in town Monday.

Miss Mabel Droske spent Sunday with relatives in Stevens Point.

The ladies' aid society meets at John E'en's Thursday, August 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Peterson of Sheridan spent Sunday in the village.

Wallace Mahanna and daughter, Helen, visited relatives in Custer Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Wilson of Kenosha are visiting at H. A. Wilson's home.

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Mrs. Vic Czeskleba and baby of Lyndon are guests at the home of T. W. Czeskleba, in the village of Amherst.

Fred Eul of Neenah arrived here Monday with a crew of men and commenced work on the concrete street near.

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EAU PLEINE.

Miss Tressia Swanson left for Stevens Point Saturday, where she has accepted a position in a store.

Mrs. F. A. Swanson spent part of last week at Milladore, visiting her mother, Mrs. Jas. Kocha and friends.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. N. P. Swanson last week. Mrs. C. E. Van Hecke of Stevens Point attended the session.

Next Sunday morning, the field secretary of the anti-saloon league, will give a lecture at the Swedish Free church. Lecture will be in English. Everybody is invited to come.

Nine children of Mr. and Mrs. William Koch have been sick with diphtheria. A nurse is employed to help take care of them. Friday morning a five year old girl died of the disease. The family have heartfelt sympathy of all who know them. At this writing the other children are reported better.

PLOVER.

Miss Vietta Newby returned from Ripon Thursday.

Myra Barnesdale returned from Almond, Wednesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Anton Green, Jr., on Tuesday, July 24, a daughter. Frank Pierce of Medford visited his father, M. F. Pierce, Thursday.

Fayette Skinner left Thursday for Austin, Minn., to go gone three weeks.

Frank Simonds will leave for the harvest fields of North Dakota Saturday.

Mrs. Robert Herman and Mrs. M. C. Skinner spent Thursday at Waupaca.

Mrs. Martha Powers returned home Sunday, after a month's visit at Amherst.

W. J. Newby and son, Orville, left Tuesday for Washburn to work at their trade.

Will Douglas and wife of Hortonville visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Maxfield Friday.

The Skinner sisters went to Shiocton Saturday to visit their aunt, Mrs. Jeff Miller, for a week.

George Yorton and wife went to Ripon Saturday to visit their daughter, Mrs. Henry Clark, for a few days.

Mrs. Wilmot Pierce and two little daughters of Cadott are visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Almon Maxfield.

Mrs. Jeff Miller of Shiocton spent Friday and Saturday visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Warner.

H. N. Warner and wife went to Waupaca Wednesday, called there by the death of the former's sister, Mrs. Mary Dolloff.

Mrs. George Wilmot went to St. Michael's hospital at Stevens Point, Monday, for the purpose of having her eyes treated for cataracts. Mrs. Wilmot is 74 years of age and has been nearly totally blind for the past year. Her many friends hope that she will recover her sight in at least one of her eyes.

SHERRY.

F. Becker is building a new silo for his fine herd of milk cows.

Mrs. Hugh C. James returned from a visit to her parents in Oshkosh on Tuesday.

Mrs. Stratton is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. King, at present. Mrs. King will teach in Waupaca the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Lille visited with their daughter at Milladore the first part of the week.

Young H. Hahn, who has attended school at the Northwest Collegiate Institute for the past two years, left for Council Bluffs, Iowa, on Monday.

Glenn Lonsberry of Stevens Point has purchased the Searl farm adjoining the John Lonsberry farm and he and his family will move here soon to their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dille spent a short time at their daughter's home in Milladore this week. They are intending to go to the Soldiers' Home, for the coming winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Parks entertained friends at supper on Saturday evening last, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sulestin of Milwaukee, who are spending some time in Sherry.

E. S. Searl, who has just sold his farm near Sherry, will after his auction on the 10th of this month move his family to Grand Rapids. His two sons will make a visit to the west before deciding to settle down. It is not likely they will find a better place to live than Wisconsin.

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BANCROFT.

Warnie Ellis is very low at this writing.

Mrs. Wm. Krake is numbered with the sick.

Better plan to attend the circus at Plainfield, August 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Atkins spent Sunday with his people at Grand Marsh.

This is certainly bad weather for the farmers, as it does nothing but rain.

Birtness called at the Krake home last Thursday on his way to Marshfield.

The aid society will meet Wednesday afternoon, August 11, at the Baptist church. A picnic supper will be served.

Chas. Freda was found dead in his home in our village Saturday afternoon. He was laid to rest Sunday morning in the Bluff cemetery.

Mr. Ed Cornwell and children, Mrs. Will Clark and son, Erwin, and little Ren Jackson spent last Thursday at the Wm. Krake home.

JUNCTION CITY.

Sheriff Guyant was in town for a few hours on business recently.

We note by the papers that the Kaiser's army is trying very hard to put war in Warsaw.

Dr. G. F. Murphy went to Stevens Point recently to attend to a few business matters.

The farmers in our vicinity are not crying about the poor crops that they are about to reap, but about too much rain.

Operator A. Daggett went to Ashland to resume his duties as first trick operator for a few days and from there on to Ironwood, Mich., for the rest of the season.

It is known that the Junction City saloons are now closed on Sundays. But the strangest thing connected with the dry Sunday affair was that half the saloonkeepers couldn't find their keys to close up, when the final word of law was confirmed.

Perhaps for the past fifteen or twenty years the locks on the doors never had the chance to get acquainted with their friend, the key, so we're advised that they had to use chairs to block the doors. Citizens hope that they find their keys.

The Junction City baseball team crossed bats with Rudolph nine last Sunday. Rudolph played good until the first half of the seventh, when the infield as well as the outfield exploded and the scorekeeper wore out one of his pencils marking errors, and as a result, the score was 14 to 0 in favor of the Junction team. The opposing sharpshooters were Skibba, the winner, and Werner, the loser.

Junction City has witnessed a feat that no movie actor would ever dare to perform, no matter what the reward offered. It happened last Sunday when No. 24 Soo time freight was pulling out. Four young men of Stevens Point tried to board the train; they aimed for the grab irons on the side of the box car to save a few cents by not purchasing tickets. However the three got on safely by a desperate chase along the platform, but the fourth one? Well it was between death and the deep blue sea. He got hold of the grab iron fair enough, but owing to the fast movement of the train it swung him under the following car and dragged him where he had only one hand on the handle between the tracks and platform. Every time he wanted to raise himself the platform interfered, so it looked to the twenty-five or thirty spectators as if he would not hold out, but would be dragged under the moving cars. As fate would have it, he finally pulled himself up, and got between the cars. This was the last that was seen of him. If he is alive today, he certainly can congratulate himself on his strength and his cool head, otherwise it would be a sad story to tell. He was one out of a thousand that have beaten death to its claims.

KNOWLTON.

George Perry and R. Nuffe, two of Knowlton's best known citizens, are quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Parker and children are here from Wausau for a two weeks' stay with friends.

The Knowlton friends of the M. H. Altenburg family at Dancy extend sympathy in their late bereavement.

Mrs. A. Knodler of Mosinee and guest, Miss Margaret Glassau of Wausau, enjoyed Saturday here with Mrs. Knodler's daughter, Mrs. Walter Guenther.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cummings and children of Plainfield, Wis., are expected at Knowlton Thursday for a few days' visit among friends. They will make the trip by auto.

Mrs. Harry Shipway and brother, Chester Winslow, returned to the former's home at Big Flats, Wis., last Thursday. They were here to attend the funeral of their grandfather, George Hoffman.

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RUDOLPH.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schalfout were visitors at Wausau Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Crotteau drove to Plainfield Monday to visit relatives.

Miss Ila Richards, who had been visiting relatives here the past week, returned to her home in Grand Rapids, Monday noon.

Mrs. G. W. Baker, Sr. and grandson, Loyal Baker, and Mrs. Paulowitz of Grand Rapids were Sunday visitors at the N. G. Ratelle home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Root and baby, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Marceau and baby, autoed to Stevens Point Sunday, via Junction City. They made the trip in Mr. Root's car.</